

IRA GOT THE CASH

The Press Folks Spring a Surprise on the Police.

THEY FLASH A ROLL OF MONEY

Which Crave Claims to Have Secured Under Queer Circumstances. Can It Be a Bluff?

The trial of William J. Sproat and D. R. Waters, charged by Lieutenant Hurley with criminal libel, was begun in police court yesterday morning. Several hours were consumed in selecting a jury. Mr. McBride objected to proceeding on the ground that the complaint did not charge that the defendants had published anything which accused Hurley of committing any crime, misdemeanor or felony. When the jury was completed the prosecuting attorney swore County Clerk Harvey to show who the stockholders of the Press Publishing company are. Before any testimony had been taken, Mr. McBride made another motion that the case be dismissed and the respondents discharged.

John Siebert, L. G. Stuart, Chas. K. Gibson and John Finn were sworn to show the duties of the defendants on the paper. Captain Johnson explained what the duties of Hurley were and the people raised their case. The defense declared that it would do the same, but Mr. McKnight opened it up again. Lieutenant Hurley denied the truth of the article published in the Press reflecting upon him, and said he had never received money from Guy Johnson. McBride cross-examined the witness at length, taking the different allegations and asking him if he knew whether or not they were true. The lawyer took a package of money with a note attached to it from Ira Crane, and asked if he recognized the handwriting. He did not, and said he never saw the note before. Mr. McKnight wanted the money and note introduced in evidence and marked as exhibits, but McBride claimed that both were private property and refused to part with them. When the defense opened Ira D. Crane was called, and said that on December 20, about 6 o'clock in the afternoon, he saw Hurley and another officer enter a hallway. He followed them up and entered a closet through which a hole had been cut, so that a view could be had of Johnson's gambling room. Stuck in the hole he found \$25, to which was attached a note. What the latter said was not brought out, nor would the holder impart the information. An adjournment was taken until Wednesday.

COONS CAUGHT AT "CRAPS."

The Police Descend Upon a Notorious Waterloo Street Joint.

"Come seven! Come eleven! Dab! Bah! Come six. She's a deuce. Monks; banker take de stuff."

Those familiar with the popular coon game of "craps" will recognize the above parlance.

In the basement under C. W. Jeffries' saloon, No. 48 Waterloo street, is one of the most notorious "crap" dives in the city. The basement is low and dark, with a partition running through the center. There are two entrances, one by the front way and one by the back. In the back room there is a long table covered with canvas, with a narrow strip nailed along the edge. On each side of the table a score or more of negroes, among whom there are occasionally a few white men, play the fascinating game every night in the week, including Sundays. Two only can play. An attaché of the house acts as banker. Two ordinary dice, with spots running from one to six, are all that is required. If the man throwing first produces a seven or eleven, or, that is, if the spots turned up aggregate either of these numbers, he "takes the pot." If instead he should throw six, or any number besides seven or eleven, he tries to throw six again. If in the attempt he throws seven or eleven, his partner takes the money. If deuces or twelves turn up the banker ranks in the pile. And so the game goes. The bones are thrown, after which the manipulator snaps his fingers, exclaiming, "Come seven, eleven," or whatever he desires. The proprietor of the joint in question, Lewis Isabell, a one-eyed buck, Saturday night the police received the first intimation that such a place existed at the number given. Deputies Gast, Durr and Sergeant Conlan made a raid on the place. The keeper and three other rooms were in the place. When the officers were endeavoring to get in the back way one of the latter scrambled up the front stairs. Patrolman Braden started in pursuit and chased the fleeing dandy into the arms of Officer O. C. Smith, who clutched him. Isabell and the man caught were brought to headquarters, but were released as there was no evidence against them. Isabell says that the basement is rented by a club, and thinks that the members can play "craps" if they want to.

FILED HIS ANSWER.

City Attorney Taylor Replies to the Street Car Company's Complaint.

Some time ago the Consolidated Railway company began suit against the city for damages incurred by the cutting of its feeder wire. The wire ran through the limbs of Emma Rogers' shade trees and were ordered removed, but no attention was paid to the order by the company. The city attorney has prepared his answer to the complaint, claiming that the wires are injurious to the trees. The company stoutly maintains that they are not injurious and will endeavor to prove the truth of the claim when the case comes to trial.

ARRAIGNED FOR ROBBERY.

Four Colored Men Who Confess Plead Not Guilty.

George Holman, Fred Newberg, James Goodin and Thomas Goodin were arraigned in police court on the charge of robbery. The three last mentioned are tough-looking specimens. The crimes with which they are charged are holding up four men and a woman in the house of Wessoline Gansvoort on North street, and robbing Charles Fishback's saloon on Ottawa street. All pleaded not guilty, though Saturday all confessed. Their examination was adjourned, the first to January 14, and the others till January 15.

Filed an Inventory.

George Tubergar has filed an inventory of his assets and liabilities. It shows him to have stock in the store to the value of \$46.35, in the bars to the value of \$15.00 and book accounts amounting to \$25.75, making the total assets \$87.10. The debts amount to

about \$1,550, the largest creditors being the Lemon & Wheeler company, \$333.33; John Campbell, Middleville, \$209.12, and E. A. Fletcher, \$465. The last is secured by a chattel mortgage.

LUCKY MEYERSHAM.

A Chronic Offender Who Escapes Punishment Once More.

Adolph Meyersham's appeal case came up in the superior court yesterday. Adolph had been at his favorite amusement, drunkenness and disorderly conduct, but it was under his own vine and fig-tree, and the court directed a verdict of not guilty.

JACK'S PROPERTY BLANKETED.

A Suit to Foreclose Begun Against J. P. Andrews.

Helen M. Mathews has begun suit in the circuit court against John P. Andrews et al. to foreclose a mortgage for \$3,500 held by the plaintiff on property located on Logan street, owned by the defendants.

Postponed Their Departure.

Prof. John Victor and his wife, Mary Victor, were arraigned in police court yesterday for defrauding a hotel. The pair filed an engagement at the museum, where the former performed the remarkable feat of treading on glass and rolling back and forth over it. They stopped at the Bridge street house, and were in the act of leaving the city when arrested by the police. They entered pleas of not guilty, and an adjournment was taken until January 12.

She Road the Switchback.

The case brought by Jennie Knottnerus against the North Park railroad company, was on trial in the circuit court yesterday. The complainant took a ride on the switchback located at the park to enjoy the rapid switch through the air, and the car jumped the track, injuring her to such an extent that she considers herself entitled to damages. The case will be submitted to the jury tonight.

Adjourned Cases.

The following cases in police court went over to give time in which to try the Sproat and Waters libel case: Arie Schmitema, Sr., Burt Schmitema and Arie Schmitema, Jr., receiving stolen goods; adjourned until January 12. Thorne & Platte, saloon open Sunday; adjourned to January 15. Frank Lent, A. B. Kals and Frank Babcock, truants; adjourned one week. Garret and John Wilmerink, larceny; adjourned until January 18.

For Lack of Evidence.

John Steenland and Al Stewart were arrested for assaulting Officer Beach and convicted in police court. They appealed to the superior court, and yesterday the case was dismissed, the evidence being somewhat shaky and the complaining witnesses being out of the state.

Sweeney's Case Appealed.

Arrangements were made yesterday by Joseph Sweeney's attorneys to take his case to the supreme court on a writ of error. Judge Burlingame deferred his sentence until today and the friends of the convicted man hope to secure his release on bail pending a new trial.

Sues for a Divorce.

Alice Huff applied for a divorce in the circuit court yesterday from her husband, Elmer M. Huff. She alleges extreme cruelty which at times amounted to violence, calling her vile names and abusing her in the hearing of neighbors.

Must Secure the Costs.

Silas White, one of the colored men who brought suit against Sheriff McQueen for \$5,000 damages for alleged false imprisonment, was ordered to file security for costs yesterday.

Paid Heavy Fines.

Hennessy and Waters who were convicted of keeping their saloon open after hours paid \$75 each for fines in the superior court yesterday and costs amounting to \$14.25.

Abbott Says Not Guilty.

John Abbott pleaded not guilty to a charge of criminal assault committed upon Annie Ronderson, a ten-year-old child, in police court yesterday.

Sued on a Note.

Clara Wolf began suit in the circuit court yesterday against Catherine Byrnes to collect a note amounting to \$250.55.

LAW AND LAWYERS.

Circuit Court—Part I.

JUDGE GROVE.

Silas White vs. John McQueen, trespass on the case; order that plaintiff on or before February 18, 1892, file undertaking for costs with one or more sufficient sureties to be appointed by the clerk.

Jennie Knottnerus vs. North Park Street Railway company, trespass on the case; on trial.

Haney Manufacturing company vs. Gaines W. Perkins, William T. Hess and Seymour W. Peregrine, trespass on the case; continued over term without costs.

Circuit Court—Part II.

JUDGE ADST.

Edgar A. Maher vs. Charles Withers, ejectment; argued and submitted; findings requested.

Joseph Singer and Carl G. Bolderweck vs. Harry W. Long, assumption of judgment for plaintiff for \$394.95 and costs.

Superior Court.

JUDGE BURLINGAME.

The People vs. Herbert Waters, saloon open after hours; sentenced to pay a fine of \$75; paid and discharged.

The People vs. Wm. Hennessy, saloon open after hours; sentenced to pay a fine of \$75 and costs, \$14.25; paid and discharged.

The city of Grand Rapids vs. John Steenland, appeal; dismissed on motion of the city attorney.

The city of Grand Rapids vs. Al Stewart, appeal; dismissed on motion of the city attorney.

The city of Grand Rapids vs. Adolph Meyersham; trial by jury; verdict not guilty by order of the court.

The city of Grand Rapids vs. Mrs.

DeWets, appeal; dismissed on motion of the city attorney.

Probate Court.

HON. CYRUS E. PERKINS, JUDGE.

Estate of Ezra Bellows, deceased; petition for probate of will filed; hearing February 8.

Estate of Alfarretta Pember, deceased; Geo. M. Pember appointed administrator.

Estate of Ezekiah C. Bradley, deceased; will admitted to probate and John Bradley appointed executor.

Estate of Timothy O'Brien, deceased; Daniel O'Brien appointed administrator.

Estate of Marion A. Cowles, deceased; Scott Griswold, James Ward and Heriart G. Parks appointed commissioners in partition.

Estate of Moses May, deceased; executor's annual account filed; hearing January 29.

Estate of Wm. H. Farr, deceased; report of commissioners on claims filed.

PURELY BUSINESS SESSION.

The Common Council Holds a Short and Decisive Meeting.

Last evening's session of the common council was a decidedly tame affair.

A communication was read which had been submitted by J. A. S. Verdier, cashier of the Kent County savings bank. A short time ago several orders were cashed for contractors when there was no money to the credit of the funds against which they were drawn, and the city refused to pay the orders. The bank was informed that its only recourse was to secure a mandamus from the supreme court. It was stated that the bank always considered orders negotiable. The contractors needed money and the concern advanced it. Mr. Verdier appeared in person before the council, and said he hoped for a speedy settlement without seeking the aid of the courts. Under the order of resolutions Alderman Dregge moved to have the question referred to the committee on claims and accounts; carried.

A petition was received from residents on Ransom street asking that children be allowed to coast on that street during the daytime. Granted.

Christian Vander Veen protested against boys coasting on Fountain street on Sunday. He said he had notified the police, but that they would not interfere. Laid over without action.

Alex. McDonald, a laborer who was injured in a sewer cave-in on Cedar street a month or so ago, asked that the council award him damages. Claims and accounts to the amount of \$25,642.90 were reported by the comptroller. The committee on claims had not examined the list and it was referred, the committee retired for a short time and then reported recommending that a bill for \$15 for cleaning the sidewalks around the City Hall and \$10 for a saddle horse furnished by Sheriff McQueen during the strike, be stricken out, which was done.

The ways and means committee reported in favor of charging scavengers a license of \$10. Alderman Stokes wanted it reduced to \$5, but the report was adopted without alteration.

Action on the South Division street toll gate matter was postponed one week by a vote of 8 to 8.

MAY BE FIRED.

At the Morton House.

"War" Robertson is stopping at the Morton house now, but says he may be fired any day, as the hotel is crowded and the employees too busy to be annoyed with the many persons wanting to interview him about the War Syndicate and Senator Carlisle's campaign.

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BANKER'S SECURITIES.

"Consult Your Banker."

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